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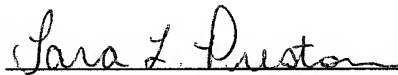
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MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, AND
POLARIZATION-MAINTAINING OPTICAL FIBER ARRAY
USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT*

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

* An RCE is being filed herewith.